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SUBJECT:NATO ARMAMENTS PLANNING SYSTEM: PAPER FOR PAPS
STUDY GROUP

AFTER COORDINATION WITH MR. WALSH, ASYG DEF SUPPORT,
REQUEST MISSION PASS THE FOLLOWING PAPER, DRAFTED BY MR.
CALAWAY, IN HIS CAPACITY AS CHAIRMAN OF THE PAPS STUDY
GROUP, TO MR. TANSEVER, IS SECRETARY, AND ASK HIM TO
DISTRIBUTE IT INFORMALLY TO MEMBERS OF THE PAPS STUDY
GROUP PRIOR TO THE STUDY GROUP MEETING SCHEDULED 30-31
MARCH. CALAWAY PLANS TO DISCUSS PAPER AT MEETING.

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SUBJECT: DISCUSSION BETWEEN ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL/
DEFENSE SUPPORT AND PAPS STUDY GROUP CHAIRMAN REGARDING
NAPR TEST PROGRAM STATUS.

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1. THE CHAIRMAN RELAYED THE STUDY GROUP'S CONCERN WITH
THE PROGRESS OF THE NAPR TEST PROGRAM AND STATED THAT THE
GROUP DID NOT WISH TO WAIT UNTIL THE NEXT CNAD MEETING TO
RAISE THE ISSUE. HE HIGHLIGHTED THAT THE GROUP BELIEVED
THE DEGREE OF SUCCESS OF THE NAPR TEST PROGRAM WOULD HAVE A

MAJOR IMPACT ON THE ULTIMATE SUCCESS OF THE GROUP'S

OTHER EFFORTS.

2. THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC ITEMS WERE DISCUSSED:

A. THE NAPR TEST PROGRAM WAS TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE NEXT NADREP MEETING, AND THE STUDY GROUP REQUESTED THAT THE NADREPS PROPOSE CORRECTIVE ACTION AS DEEMED NECESSARY.

B. THE NAPR COORDINATOR WAS REQUESTED TO PRESENT A QUOTE RECOVERY PLAN UNQUOTE AT THE NEXT STUDY GROUP MEETING WHICH OUTLINES ANY REVISED SCHEDULES AND/OR TEST PROGRAM OBJECTIVES.

C. SPECIAL CONCERN WAS EXPRESSED REGARDING THE RESPONSIVENESS OF THE MAIN ARMAMENTS GROUPS (MAG) TO THE REQUESTS OF THE NAPR COORDINATOR. SPECIFICALLY, THE ASYG/DS WAS REQUESTED TO INVESTIGATE IF THERE EXISTED A MISUNDERSTANDING WITHIN THE MAGS AS TO THE INTEREST AND SUPPORT FOR NAPR HELD BY THE CNAD.

D. THE VIEW THAT THE SHAPE INPUT TO NAPR WAS DEEMED INADEQUATE BY THE NAPR COORDINATOR WAS DISCUSSED. SPECIAL NOTE WAS MADE OF THE COMMENTS MADE BY THE SHAPE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE STUDY GROUP THAT SIGNIFICANT EFFORT HAD GONE INTO THE RESPONSE.

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E. DELAYS IN INITIATING STEPS OF THE NAPR PROGRAM WERE DISCUSSED. IT WAS NOTED THAT A COMPLETE YEAR COULD BE LOST IN THE SCHEDULE FOR CERTIFICATION/IMPLEMENTATION.

3. THE ABOVE PROBLEMS SEEMED IN THE CHAIRMAN'S VIEW, TO BE LARGELY A PROBLEM OF INSUFFICIENT STAFFING AVAILABLE TO THE NAPR COORDINATOR. THIS LIMITED HIS CAPABILITY TO: EXAMINE PROBLEM AREAS, REVIEW STATUS AND OBJECTIVES WITH PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS, AND CONDUCT THE ANALYSIS AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE DATA RECEIVED FROM NATIONS. IN SHORT, A LACK OF SUFFICIENT PERSONNEL WAS JEOPARDIZING THE SUCCESS OF THE NAPR AND, ULTIMATELY, THE PAPS.

4. THE ASYG/DS BELIEVED THAT THERE WERE TWO BASIC PROBLEM AREAS:

A. INSUFFICIENT RESOURCES WERE AVAILABLE TO THE NAPR COORDINATOR TO CONDUCT A PROPER PROGRAM.

B. THE IMPORTANCE OF NAPR AND THE SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE VARIOUS NATO ORGANIZATIONS (I.E. MAG'S,

SHAPE, ETC.) WERE NOT MADE ADEQUATELY CLEAR IN THE CNAD
ENDORSEMENT OF LAST OCTOBER.

5. THE ASYG/DS OFFERED TO TAKE ACTION TO CORRECT THE
SECOND PROBLEM AREA BUT WAS SOMEWHAT PESSIMISTIC AS TO
AN EARLY SOLUTION TO THE FIRST PROBLEM.

6. THE CHAIRMAN PLANS TO REVIEW THE SITUATION WITH THE
ASYG/DS PRIOR TO THE NEXT STUDY GROUP MEETING AND WILL
PROVIDE A STATUS REVIEW TO THE STUDY GROUP.

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